# CULTURED MISSIONARIES.

WHAT THE HIGHER EDUCATION DOES FOR CHRISTIANITY.

MRS J R MOTT TELLS THE CONFERENCE OF WOMAN'S BOARDS THAT COLLEGES ARE DECIDED BLESSINGS.

Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions in the United States and Canada opened yesterday at 9:45 the lecture-room of the Tabernacle, a large number of women being in attendance. After the opening prayer by Mrs. H. B. Elliot, Presby-Mrs. J. R. Mott, who is widely known in and who accompanied her husband on his visit to teresting paper on "Higher Education for Girls in

Within the last fifty years," said Mrs. Mott. every civilized land there has arisen a moveent for the higher education of women. In 1840 only one college in this or any other land was open to women-that of Oberlin, Ohio. In the early days of this movement its motive power was the spirit days of Mary Lyon, when the Mount Holyoke world. We shall never know what America owes begun and fostered by most earnest Christian men and women for the highest purposes. The aim of to less than intellectual. To-day sees the fruit of rtion of women students than any other land. She has thirty-five thousand in her universities and colleges, and ten thousand of them, in three hunof Christian associations

"We are not yet far enough away from the be ginning of the movement in our own land to write history or to see clearly all its results, but today the women of America are a mighty power in the social, intellectual and spiritual life of our senetry. Is it chance that, corresponding almost time to the beginning of the remarkable movement for higher education in our own land. of the condition of hundreds of millions of women of non-Christian lands, and open doors sho ne hack before India China Japan Africa. South America and Mexico? Could, indeed, such infinite opportunities for service and such a cry of need and such God-given facilities for preparation

have no relation to each other?"

To the question "What is the aim and scope and what are some of the advantages of the higher education of girls in mission fields?" Mrs. Mott answered in the words of Dr. Duff, when asked his theory of missions.
"Theory," he said; "I have no theory; anything

and everything that will promote the cause of

The immediate objects of higher education she first, to build up Christian character, or, in other words, to give to the individual the highest intellectual, moral and spiritual culture he is capable of receiving; second, to create a demand for the higher education of women, and where the demand already exists to supply it under the best Christian influences; third, to provide well-ordered

"A current proverb among the Indians and Ma-hometans." declared Mrs. Mott, "is to the effect that woman's wisdom should not extend beyond the oven, and many in every land practically the same thing. It is true that a college degree cannot make a good wife or mother or woman, but in the long years of daily contact in school life there is an opportunity to shape the home life, the social life, the religious life, and through these the whole character of a people."

'A fourth object" she defined to provide Christian teachers for schools and to train for Christian leadership wherever needed, and a fifth, to reach need of the most elementary education for girls which higher education has already made in these ands stand to-day in startling contrast. Hamlin says that in the first year of his missionary life in Turkey he met but one woman who cou ead, and the entering wedge was driven in the guise of a school of embroidery. When Duff went to India, he said, one might as well "try to scale a wall 500 feet high as to attempt female education. In China Mrs. Nevins estimates that to-day, aside from those trained in mission schools, probably not one woman in ten thousand can read. In 1873 Miss Russell and Miss Gheer began with one pupil in Nagasaki, Japan, what they meant should some day be a college, and their buildings were pointed out to passengers on the steamer as "Ladies" Folly." According to the mest recent statistics attainable, there are to-day in the mission fields forty-nine institutions for women, under sixteen different boards or agencies, giving higher education. About three-fifths of the whole number are found under the Presbyterian, the American Board and that of the Methodist-Episcopal. from those trained in mission schools, probably

# THE APPARENT RESULTS.

To the question, "What influences are going out from these colleges and what results are apparent? Mrs. Mott gave answer: "Some thousands of women have been thoroughly educated. This means women have been thoroughly educated. This means much in lands where a few years ago it was believed to be impossible or disgraceful for a woman to learn to read. Can the wonderful record of 'the mother of a thousand daughters.' Eliza Agnew, of Ceylon, ever be surpassed in this respect? During her forty-one years of consecutive service in one school some 650 girls were graduated, and every one was a professed Christian. In the college at Harpoot the regular work is laid aside once a week for half an hour, and volunteers from the college so to the lower schools to work for souls. From the Methodist College at Nagasaki, Japan, thirty-five girls go out every week to teach four hundred pupils. The True Light Seminary, of Canton, China, has given to the cause of missions in China eighty-five teachers, fitty-eight Bible readers, and nine graduates of the medical college, who are practising their profession. During the twenty-five years of its history the American College, of Constantinople, has graduated one hundred and eight young women from eight different nations, nearly all of whom are engaged in some specific work. From the Nagasaki College one Japanese girl has gone as a missionary to the Loocheo Islands, and another has offered for Corea. In India ands, and another has offered for Corea in India ands, and another has offered for Corea. In India ands, and another has offered for Corea in India and Erraining schools and a still greater majority in the university colleges are Christians, and Christians are largely in the majority in Bombay, Lahore and Calcutia During our recent war with Spain there was one spot where Americans and Spanish worked and lived together in perfect harmony-the teachers and pupils of the International Institute for Girls, at San Sebastian, Spain.

Intellectually, the girls from that school have a wonderful record of Teaping over averything. Taking the highest marks ever given at State Institute and university. Of the better classes and to reach the daughters of the botter classes and to r much in lands where a few years ago it was be-

eration of Spain must begin with the education of her women.

The whole understanding of women's education. The whole understanding of women's education is alien to the thought and spirit of Oriental civilitation, and involves a readjustment of woman's ration, and involves a readjustment of woman's position in the home and society.

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In closing, Mrs. Mott said: "We owe our best insistonary effort to the Christian woman and her missionary effort to the Christian woman and her mission lands.

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among all the boards for constant reference.

A thoughtful paper on "The Kindergarten in Missionary Work," by Miss Kate G. Lamson, secresions, was successful in starting a discussion, Mrs.
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few years their respective boards make it possible for them to be here at that conference.

Dr. Grace N. Kimball, of Vassar College, in her paper, "The Development of the Missionary Spirit in the Woman's Colleges of America," outlined the character and the spirit of their founders, and the special influence of the times when Oberlin, Holyoke, Wellesley, Smith, Vassar, Bryn Mawr, Baltimore, Barnard and Radcliffe were founded. She reviewed the missionary work done in each of these colleges, and made pertinent suggestions for bringing the work of the various boards more closely to the knowledge of college communities. She thought that most of the missionary magazines were not quite so able nor as useful as they might be, but, in company with other missionaries, kindly shouldered a part of the blame.

Miss Rouse, the English secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, told of visiting one hundred colleges, and paid a high tribute to the results accomplished through woman's higher education in American colleges. After prayer by Mrs. Safford and singing, the meeting adjourned for luncheon.

In the spacious parlors upstairs small round tables had been laid, with covers for over one hundred and twenty guests. Fires blazed in the open fireplaces, flowers graced the tables, and from a long central table, presided over by Mrs. Charles Whittemore and Miss Gillies, the most delicious viands, bot from the chafing-dishes, were sent about to the guests. Consomme, creamed oysters, turkey, ham sandwiches, coffee, cakes and ices made up a menu that elicited the highest encomiums on the hospitality of the women of the Broadway Tabernacle.

In the afternoon session a "question hour," led by Mrs. E. S. Strachan, field corresponding secretary of the Woman's Methodist Board, Canada, proved both delightful and instructive. Miss Susan Hayes Ward presented an able paper on "Our Lord's Ideal of Christian Service," and, after prayer and singing, the meeting was adjourned.

### THE DAY'S GOSSIP.

At the home of Mrs. S. C. T. Dodd, No. 42 East Sixty-fourth-st., the Ladies' Friday Morning Class will meet to-day at 11 a. m. and study "Autocratic Russia and the Coming Slav" under Mrs. Isabel Spenser Freeland.

Mrs. Louise Seymour Houghton's lecture in the morning at 11 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Henry Taft, No. 340 Lexington-ave., on the special topic "Premature Kingship."

Current events of the last fortnight will be given by Miss Josephine Walton, who will speak on the subject at 11 o'clock this morning in the parlors of Mrs. Theodore Caskin's apartment at the Wind-sor, Broadway and Fifty-fourth-st.

At the Patria Club, which will meet to-night at Delmonico's, Fifth-ave, and Forty-fourth-st., Mrs. Ballington Booth, of the Volunteers, will speak on "Our Country's Prisoners."

Marshall Darrach's Shakespeare recital this evening will be the play of "Hamlet." It will be given as usual at Carnegie Hall, Seventh-ave, and Fifty-seventh-st.

Henry M. Leipziger will to-night be as follows: School No. 81, Bedford Park, "Venezuela," illustrated, Miss Louise Stevens; School No. 61, Third-Key West and Cuba During the War," illustrated, Miss Anna N. Benjamin; School No. 85, One-hun dred-and-thirty-eighth-st. and Willis-ave., "Movedred-and-thirty-eignth-st. and Willis-ave., "Movements of Armies: the Generals and the Battles."
Illustrated, H. W. Elson, Institute Hall, No. 218
East One-hundred-and-sixth-st. "Life in Jerusalem," Illustrated Peter von Finkelstein Mamreov.
Boys' High School. No. 6 West Thirteenth-st.,
"Battlefields of the Revolution," Illustrated,
Francis W. Halsey. Young Men's Christian Association Hall, No. 318 West Fifty-seventh-st., "The
City of Washington," Illustrated, G. H. Payson,
and School No. 52, Inwood, "The Founders and
Patriots of America," John Quincy Adams.

Practice lessons and demonstration lectures will be carried on this morning, beginning at 9:30

The Daughters of Lafayette Post will hold a meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Miss A. F. Thomson, No. 184 East Thirtieth-st.

The meeting of the Franco-American Committee of Evangelization, which was to have been held in the Marble Collegiate Church to-day, has been postponed. Jean Knatz, who was invited to be the guest of honor, did not sail for this country until January 7. The work of the committee is to encourage and strengthen the Huguenot churches in France and Belgium.

A diplomatic dinner will be given this evening at the White House, Washington.

Mrs. Abner C. Thomas and the Misses Thomas are at home to their friends on Friday afternoons until Lent, at No. 815 West Eighty-fourth-st.

Mrs. Charles Macy and Miss Mary Helen Macy will receive in their spartment at Hotel St. Marc, Fifth-ave, and Thirty-ninth-st., to-day and to-morrow, from 4 to 7 p. m.

From Australia comes the news of the death of Dr. Amy Castilla, one of the first women to graduate in the University of Melbourne, and also one of the first to occupy an official position in a hospital in the Southern Hemisphere. Her father was a Spanish refugee, who went years ago to London and afterward became one of the first settlers in Melbourne.

At the last meeting of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association the following Board of Trustees was elected: George Macculloch Miller, Isaac Wallach, the Rev. Dr. George S. Baker, George P. Cammann, Charles Lanier, Jacob H. Schiff, William Alexander Smith, A. G. Agnew, John S. Buss-ing, Dr. George G. Wheelock, Dr. Richard H. ing. Dr. George G. Wheelock, Dr. Richard H. Derby, J. A. Stursberg, Robert Olyphant, O. Egerton Schmidt, Reinhold Van Der Emde, Walter H. Lewis, Louis Stix, Charles Renauld, Beverly Chew, Dr. W. Oliver Moore, Dr. Leonard Weber, Henry Rosenwald, Eugene H. Conklin, A. B. Anshacher, A. H. Wellington, Henry R. Kunhardt, Richard J. Cross, Marcus M. Marks, Mrs. Edmund L. Baylies and Mrs. James Spayer. The Sloane Maternity Hospital was admitted to the association, making the thirty-ninth member.

The Public Education Association meets to-day at No. 19 West Forty-fourth-st., at 4 p. m., for a "Conference on Primary Methods." The discussion will be opened by Miss Ada Van Stone Harris, Supervisor, Newark, N. J. Tea will be served at

Miss Mary Proctor lectured last evening on "Giant Sun and His Family" in the assembly hall of the public school at Astoria, Long Island, in the first course of free lectures under the auspices of the School Board, Borough of Queens.

The monthly meeting of the Universalist Woman's Alliance of the Metropolitan District will be held in the Church of Our Father, Grand-ave. and Lefferts Place, Brooklyn, this morning, at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Parker R. Simmons will have a paper on "Current Events." The Rev. Alice K. Wright will give the religious news, and Miss Quintard will sing. The subject for consideration will be "Literature for Children." Miss Evelyn Astor Pietcher will talk on the "Fletcher Music Method for the Kindergarten."

A conference was held in Albany yesterday with Governor Roosevelt by a delegation of women suffragists who went to the capital to confer with the Governor and with leading members of the Legislature in regard to a measure they desire to Legislature in regard to a measure they desire to present later. The women composing the delegation were Mrs. Marian W. Chapman, of Brooklyn, president of the New-York State Woman's Suffrage Association; Mrs. Mary H. Laine, chairman of the Legislative Committee; Mrs. Lilie Devereux Blake, president of the New-York County Woman's Suffrage League; Miss Harrich May Mills, of Syracuse, State organizer and lecturer, and Mrs. Mary F. Matheson, of Albany.

The Women's Health Protective Association will meet at 19:30 o'clock this morning, at Wissher Hall, Fulton-st., near Flatbush-ave., Brooklyn.

A recital by Mrs. A. Douglass Brownite and Paul Tidden will be given at \$20 o'clock this even-ing, at the Pouch Gallery, No. 345 Clinton-ave, Brooklyn, for the benefit of the Rainbow cot, St. John's Hospital. Dancing will follow.

INSTALLATION, SONG AND STORY. Social day is becoming a misnomer at women's

clubs if the criticism of a visitor at the West End

ANNUAL REPORT ISSUED.



Have you had a kindness shown? 'Twas not given for you alone Let it travel down the years, Pass it on.

COURAGE. It is not they that never knew
Weakness or fear who are the brave.
Those are the proud, the knightly few
Whose joy is still to serve and save.

But they, who in the weary night.

Amid the darkness and the stress.

Have struggled with disease and blight,

With pitiful world-weariness:

They who have yearned to stand among The free and mighty of the earth. Whose sad, aspiring souls are wrung. With starless hope and hollow mirth; Who die with every day, yet live Through merciless, unbrishtened years, Whose sweetest right is to forgive And smile divinely through their tears;

They are the noble, they the strong.

They are the tried, the trusted ones.

And though their way is hard and long—

Straight to the pitying God it runs—

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Selected by H. M. H.

COMMUNICATIONS Mrs. E. A. Tuttle, president of New-York City Branch No. 1, reports some additional names as members. Roxie Smith, of Marathon, N. presses thanks for her Christmas greeting; Mrs. I. M. Thatcher, of Cambridge, N. Y., modestly claims to have sent some rays of sunshine to Phoebe ghman, of Cuba, Ill.; Edmund N. Saunders, of Lee. Mass., sends dues for 1809, and expresses apistion of the Christmas greetings received; Clara M. Risk, of Buchanan, N. Y., writes enthus astically about the "new and sweet sunshine" that come into her life since joining the society; Alice Underhill acknowledges the receipt of papers on phonography from Miss Chapin, of Tenafly, N. J.; Mrs. Mary I. Estes, of Wolfboro, N. H., sends thanks for holiday greetings; Miss Nettle J. S. Bartlett, president of a T. S. S. branch at Montague, Mass., sends a Christmas report from her gue, Mass., sends a Christmas report from her branch, Florence Booth, of New-London, Conn., acknowledges sunshine gift; C. S. Harman, of Brooklyn, reports reading matter sent to Edward A. Osborne, of Teal, W. Va.; Mrs. L. M. Scroggs, of Mount Vernon, Ky., acknowledges with gratitude the box of gifts for her mission school; Christine H. Brown, of Reynoldsville, Penn., asks for addresses of two blind girls to write to, and sends thanks for her Christmas greeting, Margaret N. Goodnow, of Salem, Ill., sends original poems; E. Stone, of Port Chester, N. Y. writes for information: Mrs. Caroline A. M. Hall, of Philadelphia, writes about her several "greetings." and how some were passed on to give pleasure to others: Mrs. D. R. Turner, of Brooklyn, will send pages to Mrs. E. E. Knapp, of this city: Mrs. C. A. Crane and Mrs. James Hartley, of Passale, N. J., apply for membership, and Miss Maggie Reed, of Judy, Ky., sends a poem.

A box containing two bound copies of "The Youth's Companion," toys, games and a collection of miscellaneous articles, also reading matter, came from Mrs. M., of Newark, N. J.; a number of . nair of skates and magazines, from Mrs. H "Hymns That Have Helped" from Mrs. M. E. Mc-Clary, of Malone, N. Y.; a book of soldiers' stories clary, of Maione, N. Y., A book of soldiers stories from E. A. Catlin, of Shoreham, Vt.; a laundry-bag from Inez Cheney, of Asbury Park, N. J.; book-iet and cards from Mrs. James Hartley, Passalc, N. J.; two books from E. H. Titus, of Rome, N. Y.; cards and scrap-pictures from Mrs. F. O. Wilson, of Leavitts Hill, N. H.; a purse, a pair of glasses, in a leather case, three crocheted tidles and two linen dollies from Mrs. C. A. Crane, of Passaic, N. J., and unfinished work and embroidery silks without a name.

Sunshine greetings have been sent to the follow ing members: A book to Mrs. Matilda Huse, of Dorchester, Masa; calendars to Mrs. Spencer and Miss Lydia Sickmond, of Clyde, N. Y.; unfinished work to Mrs. B. A. Berry, of Purgitsville, W. Va.; a picture and booklet to Miss Annetta Haynes, of this city; a pair of slumber socks and a pair of wristlets to Mrs. Hila Bowen, of Jeddo, N. Y .; also a collection of paper dolls and scrap-pictures to her little daughter; booklets to Miss Marie Johns. of Jackson, Mich.; Mrs. L. Ketcham, of Brooklyn; Mrs. Mabel Williams, of this city, and Mrs. M. E. McClary, of Malone, N. Y.; a photograph case to Mrs. A. Mandeville, of Brooklyn; a sachet to Miss Fannie Fairbanks, of Brooklyn; a doll to Baby Miss Jennie Holmes, of Norwich, Conn.; a birch-bark calendar to the T. S. S. member at No. 12 Lexington-ave, this city; a booklet and card to Mrs. Hiram L. Wiltsle, of Poughkeepsle, N. Y.; Woman's Pages and calendar to Lucretia A. Whitmore, of Montague, Mass.; a book of war poems to Joseph P. O'Brien, at the National Military Home, Hampton, Va.; booklets to Mrs. Dora E. Thompson, of Fredericksburg, Va.; Mary L. Keys, of this city, and Mrs. W. H. Simsonsen, of Glen Head, Long Island; slik pieces to Mrs. M. Painter, of Brooklyn; one of Mrs. Kimio's pretty dolls to Clara M. Risk, of Buchanan, N. Y.; fifty pine and rules to the Michigan State president, and a book to Mrs. J. F. Armstrong, of Jersey City.

NEW MEMBERS.

The latest names added to the membership roll are Mrs. Almon Hensley, of this city; Mrs. J. D. Condict, Madison, N. J.; Frant Prest, New-London, Conn.; Mrs. M. H. Given, Eldora, Col.; Mrs. C. A. Crane and Mrs. James Hartley, Pas-saic, N. J.; Miss Minnie Watson, Montague, Mass.;

Edmund N. Saunders, of Lee, Mass., sent Il as dues for 1899. SUNSHINE FUND.

Does any member of the society know how to make wax flowers, or is there any member at all interested in wax flowers? If so please notify the President-General, because there is a box at head-quarters to be "passed on" to somebody pro-ficient in the art of making these flowers.

REQUESTS.

A little T. B. S. boy is making a collection of autographs of celebrated men. He would like those of Lincoln, Garfield, Blaine, Generals Sherman, Sheridan, Robert E. Lee, Presidents of the United States or others of like importance. Any one able and willing to comply with this request will please send them to the Connectiout State president, Mrs. A. W. Scofield, No. 23 South-st., Stamford, Conn.

Mrs. Mary E. Saunders, of Yonkers, N. Y., will send Woman's Pages for the coming year to Mrs. Frances Ingalls, Jamestown, N. D.

Mrs. A. A. Baker, Greenwich, Conn., receives "The Christian Herald" regularly from Miss Maie E. Jackson, of this city. Mrs. Sarah J. Sheppard, of Pittsburg, Penn.,

suggests the song entitled "Only a Beam of Sunshine" for the club song. The words of the song were written by Fanny J. Crosby and the music by John R. Sweney. Mrs. W. P., of Irvington, N. J., will send the Woman's Pages for next year to Miss May Cleve-

land, Amboy, Ohio, an invalid member, who has not walked nor lain down for fifteen years. NEW HOME FOR THE EXCHANGE.

"An enthusiastic meeting" was what every one

present called the annual one, held yesterday mornng by the managers of the Woman's Exchange, at No. 40 West Fifty-ninth-st. The old officers were re-elected. They are as follows: President, Mrs. William G. Choate; vice-presidents, Mrs. C. R. Ag-new, Mrs. John T. Terry, Mrs. William E. Dodge, Mrs. Russell Sage: recording secretary, Miss Susan Herriman, treasurer, Mrs. Katherine Lambert, It was reported that the sales during the last year amounted to \$46,000, and much amusement was caused by the announcement that \$19,629 of this was for cake and preserves. It certainly was "for sweet charity's sake," a woman present said. One thousand women are kept constantly at work, besides a large number of consignors, who are given work to do from time to time. Reports were read by the

"cordially, lovingly but diametrically," from Mrs. Fay, and unheld the advisability of the kinder-garten. Mrs. Beach, of China, thought the size of the field and the number of workers in it would have to determine the matter. Mrs. Fay thought all the work of whome the work of whom responded to an large three works are read by the World Committee, which is to meet in New-York in 1990. being the plant of the work of whom responded to an large three works are read to do from time to time. Reports were read by the various committees, and each one complained of the various committees, and each one complained of the various committees, and each one complained of the various committees, and each of the various committees. There was committee, when he are to define the field of the friendly wards are the friendly and the installation of the work at the work at

STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION TELLS OF ITS WORK.

THE CONDITION OF THE ALMSHOUSES THROUGH OUT THE COUNTRY SAID TO BE CON-

The State Charities Aid Association issues to-day twenty-sixth annual report. This organization, through its one thousand members residing in all portions of the State, maintains a local and volunstitutions, almshouses, public hospitals, etc. It also watches the distribution of public money for charitable purposes, considers all proposed legislation relating to charities and endeavors in many other ways to improve the condition of life of the inmates

In sixteen counties the urgent need of some special improvement at the almshouse was brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors by committees of the association or by letter. nearly every case part or the whole of the desired vements was secured. Among them were the following: In Cattaraugus County, a new water supply; in Cayuga, a new steam laundry, with modern machinery; in Steuben, an addition to the hospital; in Onondaga, an electric lighting plant, and in Essex, Orange and Oreida many minor improve-

State is steadily improving, and except in three or four counties may be regarded as satisfactory. In Fulton and Schenectady counties new alms-houses are needed. Probably the worst county of is Montgomery, in which the care of the poor is awarded by contract. Whenever the political majority in the Board changes, the poor of the county are taken from one set of buildings to another set, both of which groups are utterly ungomery County to co-operate with the local comcounty poorhouse and for the repeal of the special law exempting Montgomery Cor eral law of the State forbidding the awarding of the care of the poor by contract to the lowest bid-There is every prospect that the movement will be successful this winter.

The greatest need of the poorhouses throughout the State is that of better quarters for the sick and of trained nurses. In only two poorhouses of the State outside of the large cities are trained

Although epilepsy has usually been considered an incurable disease, the report of the Craig Colony Epileptics shows that during the year seven patients were discharged as cured and eighteen as improved. Of the men patients 80 per cent are employed, largely in outdoor labor, and of the women patients & per cent are employed. This institution was established in 1894 through legislation secured by the association. The public institutions in the various counties in New-York City are reported upon fully by the respective county committees. The report says of the Department of Public Chartities that "the general administration of the Department has shown marked improvement during the present year," and speaks cordially of the helpful relations between the Commissioners of Manhattan and The Bronx and of Brooklyn and Queens, and the New-York and Kings County committees respectively of the association.

The report of the Committee on Hospitals urges the desirability of collecting the consumptive patients from the public hospitals in a State colony in the Adirondacks or in some other suitable location in this State. Valuable information is given as to the care of indigent consumptives in European countries, many of which have established public or semi-public sanatoria for such cases. Statistics are given of three German institutions, which cover more than eight thousand cases, and show an average of about 12 per cent tients 83 per cent are employed. This institution

MRS. FRENCH GOING TO THE PHILIPPINES.

The 4th Infantry, U. S. A., will sail from New-York on or about January 15 for the Philippines. and with it will go Lieutenant G. E. French and his The members of Company D, who participated in the campaign at Santiago, and who were



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until recently stationed at Port Sheridan, Illinois, presented Mrs. French a few days ago with a beautiful silver tea set of eight pieces. Accompanying the gift was an engraved company roster and set of resolutions expressing the grateful recognition of the men for Mrs. French's many acts of kindness to them in the hospital and camp since their return from Cubs.

SMITH COLLEGE ALUMNE MEETING. The first meeting of the Smith College Alumna Association for the year 1899 will take the

of a recital, by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kelly, to be given at No. 117 West Ninety-second-st. to-day, at 3 o'clock. Mr. Kelly will play one movement of his Aladdin, which he has just given before the Manuscript Society, and Mrs. Kelly will sing 'is-rafil.' A business meeting will be held at 2.45 p. m.

# INCIDENTS IN SOCIETY.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry gave a brilliant reception and dance last evening at their home. No. 2 East Sixty-first-st., for Mrs. Gerry's relative, Miss May Cavendish Bentinck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Cavendish Bentinck, of Lon don, England, who have been spending the winter in New-York. There was no set floral adornment, being placed in nearly every available spot, and there were groups of palms wherever they picturesqueness to the scene. Mrs. Gerry, assisted by her daughters, the Misses Gerry, and

upper there was a cotilion, which was led by Worthington Whitehouse, who danced with Miss Mabel Gerry. The favors, like the other appointments of the dance, were handsome. They consisted of silver trinkets, boutonnières and sticks eric Bronson, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd S. Bryce, Mr and Mrs. Theodore Frelinghuysen, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Warren, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Burden Burden, Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan Winthrop, Miss Marie Winthrop, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cooper Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Orme Wilson, Miss Morton, Miss Bronson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bayard Cutting. Miss Justine Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mortimer Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ellis Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Livermore, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Baylies, !

Mr. and Mrs. Almeric Paget, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lanfear Norrie, Miss Barbey, James W. Appleton, the Misses Sloane, Miss King, the Misses Van Rensselaer, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sorchan, Mr. and Mrs. George B. DeForest, the Misses Kernochan, Miss Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clews, Miss Clews, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clews, Miss Clews, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Post, James D Wolf Cutting, Mrs. Burke Roohe Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. T. Suffern Tailer, Mrs. James P. Kernochan, Craig Wadsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius K. Wilmerdins, Miss Anna Sands, Robert C. Sands, J. Langdon Erving, Miss Knowlton, Mr. and Mrs. George Henry Warren, Jr., Miss Hunt, Edward H. Buikley, R. Livingston Beekman, Miss Cameron, Miss Stokes, Miss Babcock Miss Potter, Miss Taylor Miss Angelica Livingston, Miss Pell, Miss Annie Morgan, Miss Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay, David W. Bishop, Johnston Livingston, Frank K. Otts, Frank B. Harrison, Paul D'Hauteville, W. R. Cross, Valentine G. Hail, I. Townsend Burden, Jr., Gilbert Francklyn, Frederick D'Hauteville, Henry G. Barbey and Reginald Ronalds.

Bacon, of West Fifty-seventh-st., one of the population lar debutantes of the season. About one bundred and fifty of the younger dancing set were present Mrs. Bacon assisted Mrs. Parker and Miss Bacon is Mrs. Bacon assisted Mrs. Parker and Miss Bacon in receiving the guests, among whom were the Misses Scott. Potter, Dodge, Powers, Van Nostrand, Lee, Marvin and Clarke and Messrs. Harrison, Bird, Hoyt. Plummer and Van Wagner. After supper a cotilion was danced, H. Varnum Mott leading with Miss Bacon.

Club was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Mall, No. 8 Fifth-ave. The members Henry C. Potter, Miss Amy Townsend, Mr. and William D. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. De Forest, Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, Mrs. John Minturn orest, Mrs. Arthur M. Dooge, are some and ir, and Mrs. C. Lawrence Perkins, Mr. and A. Post, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Marshail, and Mrs. Henry E. Howland, Mr. and Mrs. Cairchild. Dr. and Mrs. William E. Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Dodge, Mrs. Miden Blodgett, Mrs. A Alexan Ir, and Mrs. William S. Cowles, Mrs. J. Pier Lorgan. Peter Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Morris K. Dr. and Mrs. Stanford White, Mrs. Hilborne, Ro.

Rockwell, of Yonkers, N. Y., was married to James

through the county committee of the association, and the children have remained under the supervision and personal attention of members of the committee. In Queens the children have been placed out directly by the overseers and superintendents of the poor. These children were visited by the association during the last year, and "a large majority of them were found to be in very satisfactory homes, receiving excellent training and being fitted in every way for lives of self-support and usefulness. The season of the poor in Nassau Country. The boarding out of foundings from the Infants' Hospital on Randall's Island, which has been undertaken by a joint committee of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Association of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Association for the Association

Belle Hurd, sister of Mrs. George W. Hubbard, of Heberton-ave., Port Richmond, to Richard Elliott Whitney, also of Port Richmond, in the Church of the Ascension, West Brighton, last evening, at \$ o'clock. The church was handsomely decorated. o'clock. The church was handsomery decorated.
The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Pascal
Harrower, the rector of the church. The bride
was attended by her sister, Miss Mary Hurd, as
maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Louise maid of honor. The bridesmalds were Miss Louise
Hunt Whitney and Miss Josephine Lester Whitney,
sisters of the bridegroom; Miss Louise Lynd Hubbard, a niece of the bride, and Miss Marie Van
Zandt Lawrence. The best man was Martin A.
Carpenter, and the ushers were Dr. L. R. Divine.
Herald Edward Whitney, J. Francis Atterbury and
Gerard Lester Burchard. After the ceremony a
reception was held at the home of the bride's sister, in Port Richmond.

DURANT STILL ON THE STAND.

TESTIMONY IN THE SUIT BROUGHT BY

SISTER, MRS. ROSE. witness-stand yesterday morning when the hearing in the action brought against him by his stater, Mrs. Heloise H. Rose, to recover her share of the estate of her father, Dr. Thomas C. Durant, was resumed before Justice Beach in the Supreme Court. John E. Parsons, counsel for the plain took up the cross-examination of the witness where it was broken off on Wednesday, and succeeding in getting Durant to tell many interesting things,

until 10 o'clock this morning Durant was still on to-day. Mr. Durant swore that he did not know whether or not his father transferred any part of his interests in the Union Pacific to the Adironinformal fashion, and was kept up until about 12:30 time interested in the St. Lawrence Railway, conread a letter written by Colonel Davis, a director of the Adirondack Railway Company Crane, a promoter, who represented an estate in Boston. The letter was dated February 22, 1896, and in it Colonel Davis placed a total price of \$1,300,000 upon the mortgages, stocks and other interests of

Mr. Parsons then produced the agreement of sale entered into by Mr. Durant and Mr. Crane to dispose of the entire Durant interest in the Adiron dack Railway Company. Mr. Durant acknowledged dack Railway Company. Mr. Durant acknowledged the genuineness of the contract, in which Durant agreed to sell for \$1,000.000 the capital stock of the Adirondack Railway Company, including £,48,68 of first mortgage certificates, representing £,185,080,080, also two mortgages amounting to not less than \$2,000,000, lens on Adirondack lands comprising four hundred and fifty thousand acres, free from all incumbrances save the two mortgages and a telegraph line, all known as the Durant interests. This instrument was dated March \$, 1806. Here Mr. Parsons questioned the witness about the will which, it is alleged, he wanted his father to execute. The witness denied any knowledge of such a transaction.

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JOHN P. HAINES, THE PRESIDENT, ADDRESS

John P. Haines, president of the American So ciety for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, annual meeting of the society, held in its new zation for the last year, and compared it previous years.

Mr. Haines said that the number of arrests and prosecutions last year was, 513; animals suspended from labor, 3.781; horses, mules and other large animals, disabled beyond recovery, humanely stroyed, 2.192; small animals, homeless or disabled beyond recovery, humanely destroyed, 91,533; disabled horses and other large animals removed from streets in ambulances, 607, and cases investigated, 50.271.

In comparing the statistics of the organization for the last twelve years, Mr. Haines said that, in the first period of four years, 1887 to 1890 inclusive, there was a steady increase in arrests and prose-cutions: in the second period of four years, from 1891 to 1894 inclusive, the number of arrests and prosecutions was at the highest level, and in the a steady decrease from 952 to 512. He

years, but that inference would be erroneous. "Twelve years ago our work," said Mr. Ha with defiant opposition, which could only be overas there are fashions in cruelty, as in everything them. This work could be greatly extended it means were available for the employment of agents.

The Newburg committee of the association continues its gratuitous services to the public authorities of that city by investigating the circumstances of every child for whom application is made to admission to the Children's Home, and by placing out children in good, free homes, where they are kept under the watchful oversight of the committee. The association has undertaken the supervision of children boarded out by public officials in this city and elsewhere in the State. In the boroughs of Richmond and Queens it has been customary for many years to board dependent children in families, instead of placing them in institutions. In Richmond County it has been done through the county committee of the association and personal attention of members of the committee. In Queens the children have remained under the supervision and personal attention of members of the committee. In Queens the children have remained under the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession and personal attention of members of the committee. In Queens the children have remained under the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession of the continue of the procession of the county in the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession and personal attention of members of the procession of the continue of the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession of the continue of the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession of the control of the supervision and personal attention of members of the procession of the control of the supervision and personal attention of members of the control of the procession of the county in the deviction of the procession of the county in the second period of four years. This fact accounts the large period form being the period form those sprocest tons in the latter was not followed by a reception. The bridge whose father is ill.

Phloppines.
"It may be hoped," he added, "that in every part of the islands lately under Spanish rule there are some persons who are in sympathy with our cause, who will be able, as well as willing, to promist it among their own people, and who will have better prospects of success than any foreigner could hope to have."

VICTIMS OF NEW-JERSEY WRECK BURIED.

Shamokin, Penn., Jan. 12.-The funerals of Rufus and Henry Weikel and Warren Merkel, who were killed in the recent Lehigh Valley wreck at Wast killed in the recent Lehigh Valley wreck at West. Dunellen, N. J., were held simultaneously to-day. Business was generally suspended througaout the town, and a great crowd was present.

May Schminkey, the young girl who was killed while cloping with George Josephs on the wracked train, will be buried on Sunday Josephs's body; will be tuken to Mahanoy City for burial.

P. J. Ferguson, claim agent for the Lehigh Valley, Raitroad, was here to-day conferring with some cit the injured and relatives of the victims.

PATRONS BACKING OUT. Society, that had taken up so enthusiastically the

cause of the tailors who were on a strike so weeks ago for a better condition of affairs in regard to their work, has withdrawn its promised support, The reason for this is, it is said, the action the Ladies' Tailors' Union has taken. A demand was Ladies' Tailors' Union has taken. A demand was made for cutters' wages at 125 a week and for tailors' at 122. The promoters of the improvement started by prominent people for the relief of the strikers feel that this stipulation of the tailors is in the form of a peremptory demand, and that the employment of workers without regard to their connection with the union would be apposed. The con-perative shop, therefore will probably be given up. There were three hundred subscribers, led by Mrs. John Jacob Astor, and a fund of \$50,00 had been pledged. The Consumers' League, the Church Association for the Advancement of the Interest of Association for the Advancement of the Interest of Lador and the Social Reform Club were all interested in the plan. There were to be regular house, fair wages and a sanitary working place, and all this, it is asserted has been lost by the action of the workers themselves.

### MANY CHURCHES AIDED. The forty-sixth annual report of the Board of

Trustees of the Congregationa) Church Building Society was presented by the secretary, the Rev. The Portrait Show, which has been going on for several weeks at the National Academy of Design, will close to-morrow evening. The receipts from the exhibition are to be surned over to the Orthopedic Hoppital, and it is believed that this worthy institution will receive a handsome sum.

Cleveland, Jan. 12—Mrs. Saville H. Pickands, of this city, was married yesterday to Jay C. Morse, of Wheaton, Ill., at the home of the bride, by the Rev. George M. Carew, of St. Paul's Episcopail Church. Mrs. Pickands is the widow of Colonel James Pickands, a wealthy iron dealer, who was known by Iron men throughout the country, and who died about two years ago. Mr. Morse is a widower and a millionaire, and was a business associate of Colonel Pickande. Mr. and Mrs. Morse have gone on a wedding trip. They we make their home at Wheaton, Ill. In substance the report was as follows: Only one

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